IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

Firearm Owners Against Crime, : No. 1:15-cv-322

Kim Stolfer, Joshua First, and:

Howard Bullock, :

Plaintiffs :

v. : (Judge Yvette Kane)

City of Harrisburg, :

Mayor Eric Papenfuse, and :

Police Chief Thomas Carter, :

Defendants : Jury Trial Demanded

Amended Notice of Removal

All Defendants hereby remove this case from the Dauphin County Court of Common Pleas, Pennsylvania, to this Court:

- 1. On January 20, 2015, Defendants were all served with a copy of the Complaint (exhibit A). All other filings are attached as exhibits B-M.
 - 2. Removal is appropriate because Plaintiffs raise a federal question.
- 3. Specifically, Plaintiffs bring a claim under 42 U.S.C. § 1983, asserting violations of their rights under the U.S. Constitution.
- 4. Federal courts have jurisdiction over claims that arise under federal laws generally, 28 U.S.C. § 1331, and more specifically over claims asserting violations of the U.S. Constitution. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1343.
- 5. Accordingly, this Court has removal jurisdiction because Plaintiffs raise a federal question generally, 28 U.S.C. § 1441(a), and civil rights questions more specifically. 28 U.S.C. § 1443.

- 6. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1446(d), Defendants will contemporaneously serve a copy of this Notice of Removal on Plaintiffs and file this Notice of Removal with the Dauphin County Court of Common Pleas.
 - 7. All Defendants join in the removal of this action.
- 8. Venue is proper because the Defendants reside in this District and the events giving rise to this action took place within this District. 28 U.S.C.A. § 1391(b).

Respectfully submitted,

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